

REMARKS

The foregoing amendment cancels claims 2-42 without prejudice or disclaimer, adds new claims 43-55, and states that the above-identified application is a continuation of application serial number 09/848,236 filed May 4, 2001 and incorporates it by reference. No new matter has been added.

It is believed that this amendment places the application in better consideration for examination and therefore entry is appropriate.

In the event this paper is deemed not timely filed, the undersigned petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees which may be required by this paper or at any time during prosecution of the instant application, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account 50-2134.

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